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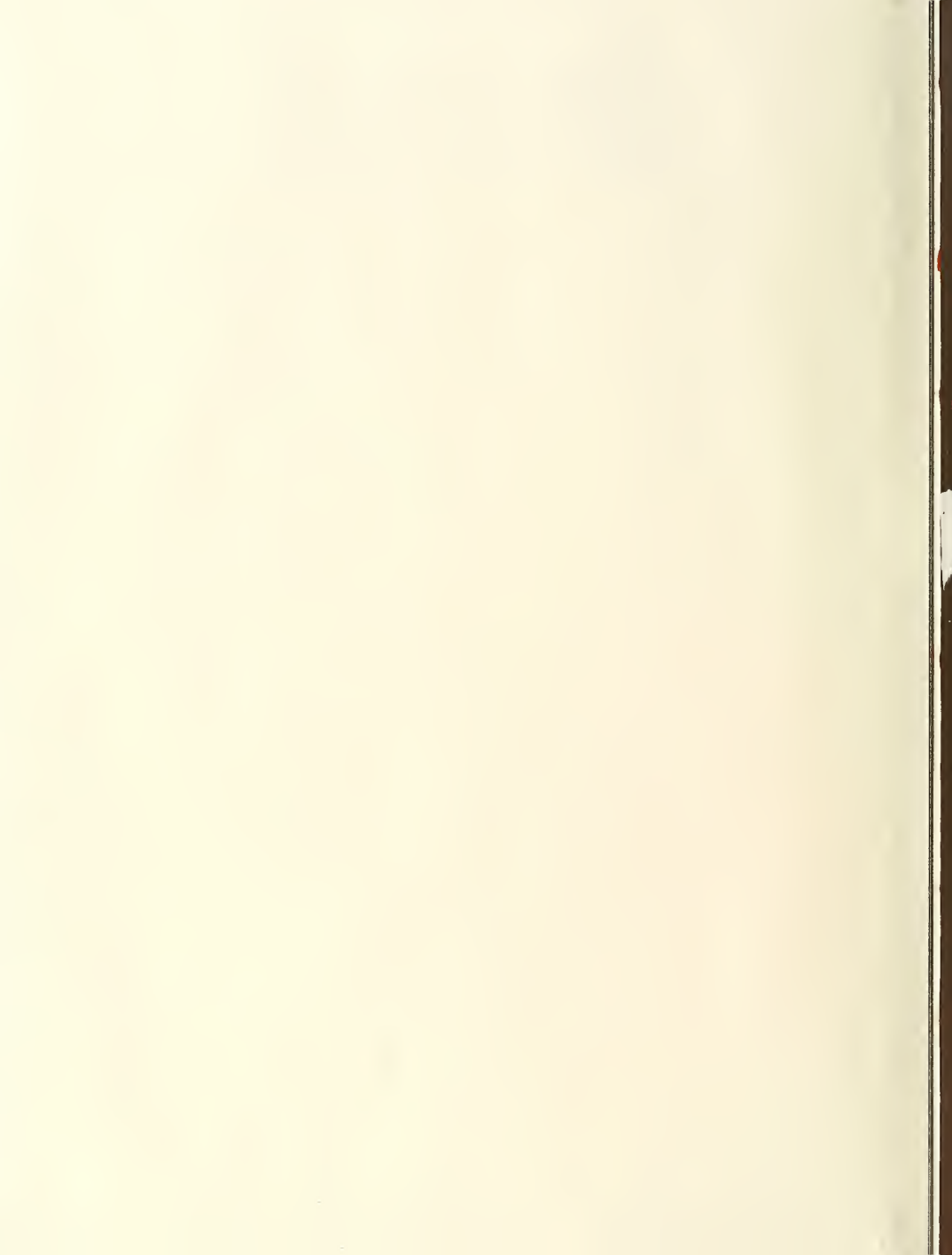
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THE YEAR OF THE RAT

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## PORTARAMA

1970-1971

Besides excellent attendance at school sporting events, students also supported such events as the Fish Fry, Talent Show, Spring Concert, and the Chili Supper. Throughout the four seasons, students participated and involvement proved to make this, the Year of the Ram one of the best in Portage's history.

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The quiet exterior of Portage Junior High School hid the active existence of lively students, faculty, and staff. Day to day life in 1970-71 at this school is presented graphically in the following pages.



Dr. Hugh Kariger, Portage's principal, made final decisions on all activities, and in general kept this school year running smoothly.

## Portage Junior High couldn't do

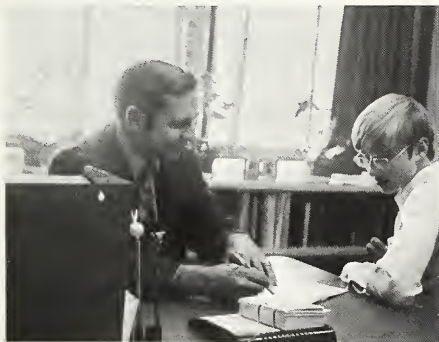


Mrs. Carol Pugsley was half of Portage's fine set of guidance counselors. She helped students with their problems, scholastic and social, and was co-adviser for Student Council.





## and the people it without



Mr. Richard Cira rendered his services as one of the guidance counselors. He also handled the problems of rescheduling students when they made class changes.



Mr. Floyd Middleton, assistant principal, was Dr. Kariger's "right-hand man" as he handled administrative problems and took charge of many details to keep Portage a well-run school.

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# Inside people make Portage tick



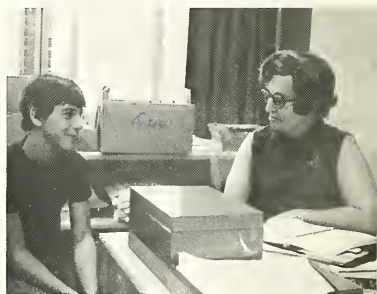
Whether they worked day or night, Portage's custodians did an efficient job of keeping the school clean. Left to right are: Nolan Allison, engineer; Hilda Linnemeyer, matron; Adolph Frankenstein, custodian; Clifford Ramer, custodian; Carl Haas, head custodian.



To unknowing students, the "lady up there" really did have a name—Mrs. Barbara Rush. Her daily jobs were to call the tables of hungry Rams for lunch and to dismiss them when lunch periods were over.



Miss Mary Jane Smith, Portage's speech therapist, helped students overcome their speech difficulties, with regular weekly vocal exercises.



Mrs. Gladys Squires, the school nurse, took care of students as they came to her with medical complaints.

# and provide vital service

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Portage's efficient Mrs. Bertha Scott performed secretarial and bookkeeping duties.



Portage's cooks provided efficient service and good lunches to keep Rams going through the long day. Left to right are: Easter Dunlap, Wanda Hart, Madonna Gaham, Audrey Swihart, Pauline Snyder, Genevieve Booher, Maureen Butcher, Katherine McCray, and Ruth Loomis.

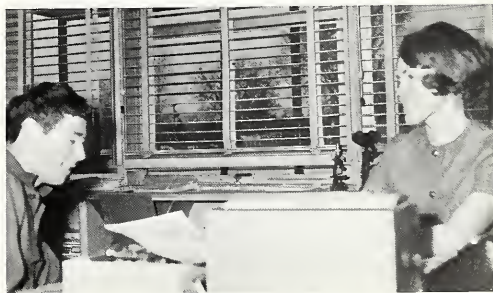


Mrs. Carol Patton, another of Portage's secretaries, spent busy hours in office activities.



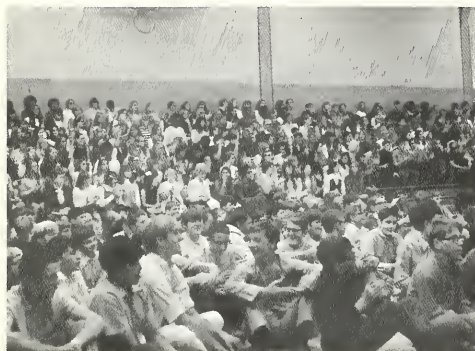
Miss Mary Lynne Kinsler, psychometrist for the Fort Wayne Community Schools, made weekly visits to Portage to test students' educational capacities and emotional adjustments.

Mrs. Dottie Collins handled attendance records for the school, typed and duplicated materials for teachers, and in general provided valuable stenographic services.





# Convocations arouse spirit



Students showed their enthusiasm for their teams during a pep session.



Student Council president Phil Hersberger posed with Can-o-Sweets drawing winners, Barb Bowen and Phil Gutman, as other officers John Greenler and Penny Ress looked on.



Mrs. Meese led the varsity choir in entertaining for a special student convocation.



"Guts" was the theme for Mr. Schaffer's impromptu pep talk.



"Oh Holy Night" was performed by the ninth grade French class, directed by Miss LaFontaine.

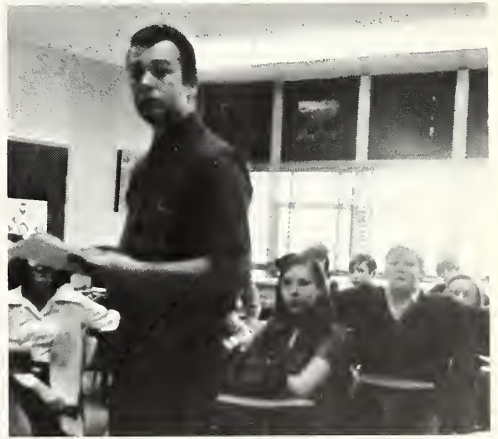


"Hark the Herald Angels Sing" took on a new sound as the Spanish class sang during the Christmas program.

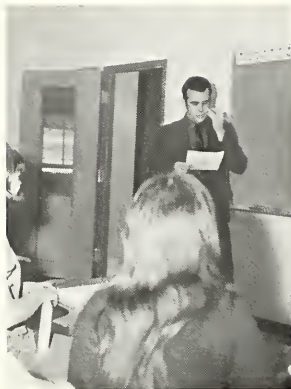




*Academics*



# Modern Mathematics



Mr. McKeeman works on problem while students pay close attention.



Mr. Neal McKeeman

This year of the Ram brought a lot of changes in the math department.

The ninth graders had more of a choice in selecting the type of math they wanted. Algebra provided more of a challenge in equation and problem solving. People who selected fundamentals of algebra were given the background needed to take the second half of the algebra course next year.

In ninth grade general math, the students learned to fill out income tax forms, work an adding machine and cash register. Besides solving story problems, they did string drawing and geometric design.

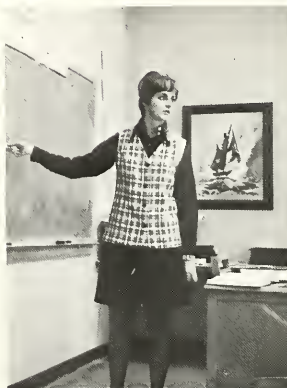


Mr. Denny explains a ratio problem while students attentively . . . watch the camera.



Mr. Bob Denny

Miss Lindley demonstrates the solution to a seventh grade math problem.



Miss Chris Lindley

# presents new theories

The eighth grade learned more of the properties of numbers. They also got into more difficult geometry and fractions this year.

Seventh graders began their introduction to geometry, constructing geometric designs with a compass. They also spent a great deal of time studying angles.

All grades worked with new textbooks this year.



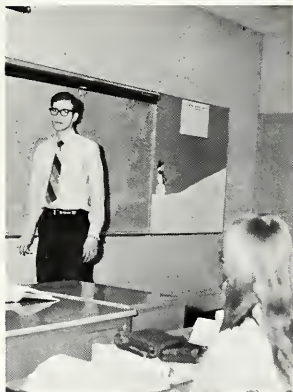
Mrs. Karen Egley



Mrs. Egley's seventh graders listen as she gives math instruction.



Mr. Dave Desper



Mr. Desper conducts a session of eighth grade math.



Mrs. Sue Simler



Mrs. Simler returns a recalcitrant student to his seat, in preparation for her eighth grade math class.



Mr. Dwight Alvis

# Practical Arts include Shop and Home Ec.



Mr. Allon White



Mr. White's shop students watch as he demonstrates an intricate procedure in construction.



Mrs. Bowers demonstrates correct techniques of bathing a baby, using a lifesize baby.



Mrs. Jeanette Wilson



Mrs. Virginia Bowers





Miss Lahr gives Robin Masterson some helpful advice as she prepares to shoot a basket.



Miss Dorothy Lahr

# Rams develop new skills in Gym and Art



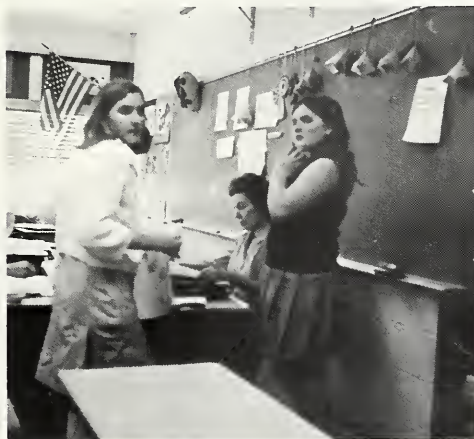
Mr. Max Amstutz



In addition to teaching health, Mr. Schaffer teaches physical education, including warm-up exercises to keep in shape.



Mr. Don Schaffer

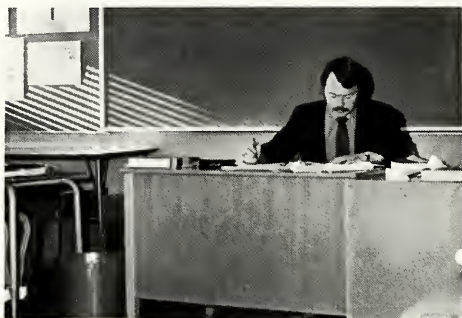


Mrs. DeHaven gives critical advice to students in her art class. The art students also provided services to the school in making posters, backdrops, etc. throughout the year.



Mrs. Ruth DeHaven

# A study of the English language

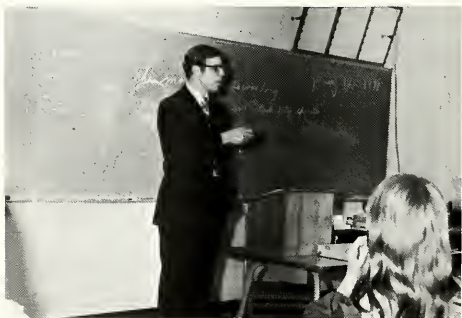


Mr. Jack Berg

Mr. Berg corrects papers in preparation for his next period's class.



Mr. David Didier



Mr. Didier lectures his English class on the fine points of proper punctuation.



Mrs. Hoylman's English class displays surprising industry for the first thing in the morning.



Mrs. Jane Hoylman

The English department had a very interesting year at Portage.

Ninth graders read *GREAT EXPECTATIONS*, *ROMEO AND JULIET*, and *THE ODYSSEY*.

Eighth and seventh graders also had "novel" experiences . . . the eighth with *BANNER IN THE SKY*, accompanied by the film version, "Third Man on the Mountain," and the seventh with *TREASURE ISLAND*.

All grades also read other forms of literature such as short stories, plays, poetry, etc.

# enriches lives for the future



Mrs. Srilata Katre



Mrs. Katre, an exchange teacher from India, explains customs of her country to her Portage English students.

Eighth and seventh graders had convocations to determine representatives for the JOURNAL-GAZETTE spelling bee.

All three grades could express their feelings on any topic of civic betterment through the annual Lions Club speech competition.

Besides struggling through book reports, the students of all grades learned the structure of the English sentence through sentence patterns and relationship of words within the sentence.



Mr. Dan Tannas



Mr. Ray Bishop

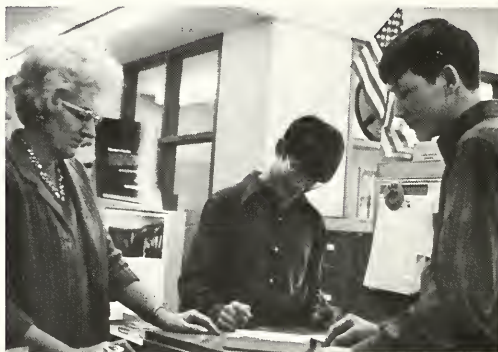


Mr. Bishop's class listens as he explains a difficult point in the literature anthology.



# Library, Study Hall, Dev. Reading contribute to Ram abilities

Brian Kennedy checks out Joe Snouffer's books as Mrs. Radatz observes. Student helpers assisted Mrs. Radatz and Mrs. Ditwiler during class periods and instead of study hall during the school year.



Mrs. Mildred Radatz



Mrs. Janet Ditwiler



Study hall supervision absorbs Mrs. Ditwiler. This was her daily obligation, in addition to assisting Mrs. Radatz in the library.



Mrs. Myrtle Mitchell



Mr. John Septer

Developmental reading students are instructed by Mr. Septer. Both Mr. Septer and Mrs. Mitchell helped students increase reading skills through daily classwork.



# Tomorrow's citizens learn of yesterday's world

Students in Mr. Edwards' geography class work on maps as he keeps track of them. Geography of many different countries is covered during the year.



Mr. John Edwards



Mrs. Norma Sterling



Mrs. Sterling discusses history with one of her eighth grade classes. The Sertoma award this year was won by eighth grader Ben Both.

Students in Mr. Shepherd's history class learn of our country's heritage.



Mr. Richard Shepherd

# Science classes study

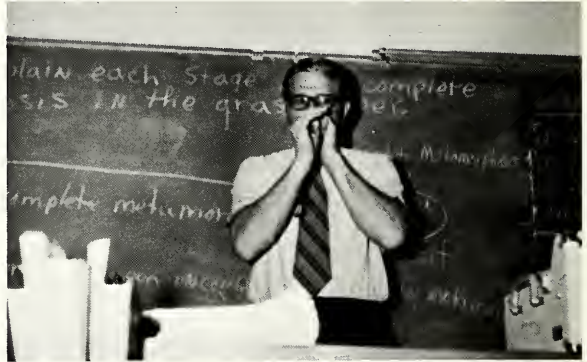


Mr. Tom Pearson

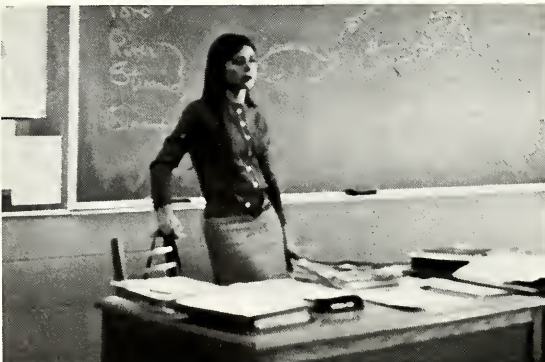
Mr. Pearson's biology students find dissecting can be a problem as they consult him about what to cut up next.



Mr. Max Amstutz



Biology students learned more about animal life and how to recognize their calls by having their teacher, Mr. Amstutz, imitate them.



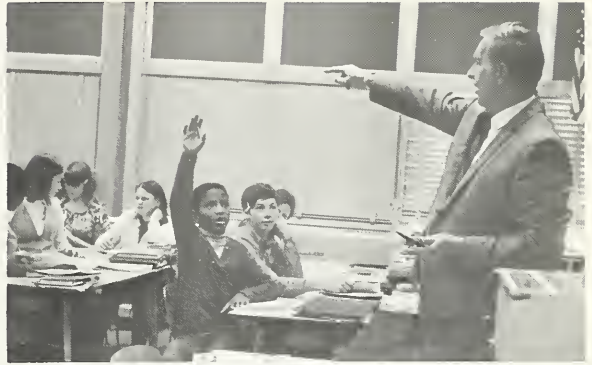
Mrs. Barbara Stahl

Mrs. Stahl's science classes learned the basics of many different types of scientific fields.

# the surrounding world



Mr. Vern Werking



Seventh graders learn many interesting new scientific facts from Mr. Werking.

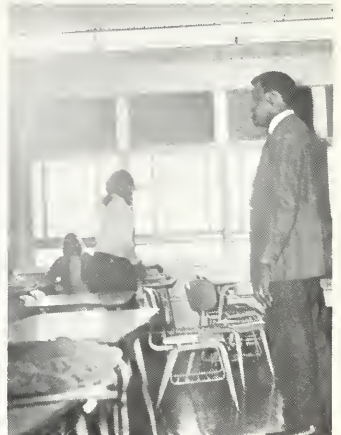


Mr. James Brown

Mr. Brown teaches his students science through discussions, experiments, filmstrips, and movies.



Mr. Johnny Gorman



Mr. Gorman shares his accumulated scientific experiences with his seventh and eighth grade students.

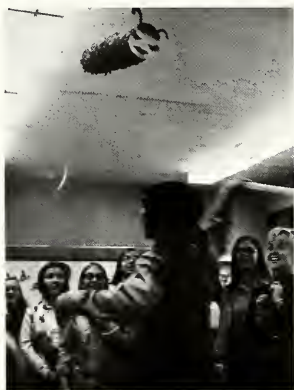
# Ninth graders discover foreign languages



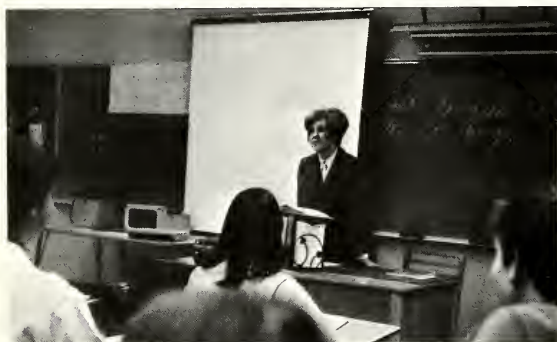
Miss Cheryl Stiller

This past year Miss Stiller and Miss LaFontaine taught Spanish and French language and customs to ninth graders. It was an enjoyable and unforgettable year.

Rick Deitch swings anxiously at Spanish class's Christmas pinata.



Miss Pat LaFontaine



French students listen as Miss LaFontaine demonstrates correct pronunciations.



Mr. Don Gebhard

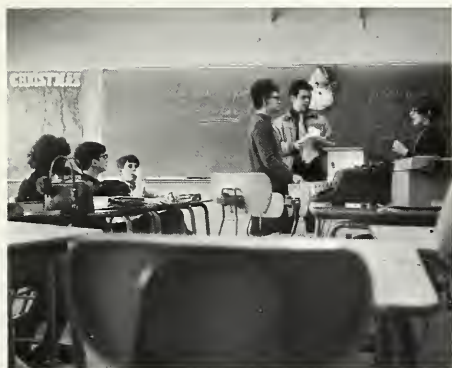


Mr. Gebhard gives Debbie Baumgartner helpful hints in typing.



As Mr. Gebhard taught his classes the arts of typing, the students were able to write business letters, do tabulations, center information on cards, and do general school work.





Activities?





Solo Club members spent many hours after and during school to improve their voices for the most important event of all—NISBOVA contest. The NISBOVA contest proved fruitful as 21 first place and 4 second place medals were brought back.

## Choir members score highly at NISBOVA



Ensemble groups sang at various activities throughout the year, under the guidance of Mrs. Meese. Such events included the Talent Show, the Christmas program, NISBOVA, and the Spring Concert.



VARSITY CHOIR

Under the direction of Mrs. Meese, the members of the varsity choir performed at many Portage activities throughout the year. This year's president was Sandy Shrock. Secretary was Roberta Boling, assisted by Hazel Gordon. Head librarian

this year was Jeff Pelz; serving under him were Debbie Baumgartner, Don Shepherd, and Kay Tolliver. Sergeant-at-arms for the year was Sam Williams.

## Choirs perform for special activities

The cadet choir plays a major part in the musical training of Portage students. It trains members for varsity choir as eighth graders. President this year was Nancy Beadie. Secretary was Cheryl Hatfield, with Sarah Stewart as assistant secretary. Piney Norton, head librarian, had

in her group Beth Linker, Gary Mann, Michelle Parnin, Kathy Terry, and Lisa Williams. Sergeant-at-arms was Dennis Terry. Cadet choir, as all other vocal groups, was directed by Mrs. Mildred Meese.



CADET CHOIR





Directed by Mr. Parlette, orchestra members practiced all year, and competed for medals at NISBOVA and various other contests. Schools in Portage's vicinity also enjoyed their guest appearances.

## Ensembles, orchestra, and band

Many members of Portage's musical organizations got together and formed string ensembles. They performed at NISBOVA and for other programs throughout the school year.







The Varsity Band performed at such events as the Christmas program, spring concert, and also played at athletic events throughout the year. The band was led by Mr. Don Parlette. Band officers for

the year were: N. Bussard, captain; J. Snouffer, 1st lieutenant; G. Baker, 2nd lieutenant; M. Spears, 1st sergeant; D. Berry, social chairman.

## add music to Portage's halls



Mr. Parlette directed his wind instrumentalists in forming ensembles and perfecting their playing. They brought back a record number of medals from the NISBOVA contests.



Mr. Parlette directed the Stage Band through a successful year, as they appeared for convocations and special programs. Members of the band put in long hours of practice (with some good times thrown in) and enjoyed the applause that was the product of their effort. Eighth and ninth graders made up the stage band roster.

## Veteran and new musicians entertain Portage students



Also under the guidance of Mr. Parlette were the members of the seventh grade training band. These aspiring musicians prac-

ticed in groups and individually, all with the hope of becoming members of the varsity band when they are in eighth grade.



# with after school activities



## SPANISH CLUB

Miss Stiller, Portage's Spanish teacher this year, taught seventh and eighth grade students a small part of the Spanish culture and simple Spanish phrases.

## MATH CLUB

Mr. Denny helped the students in the Math Club improve their skills in math, while other students helped each other out on hard problems also.

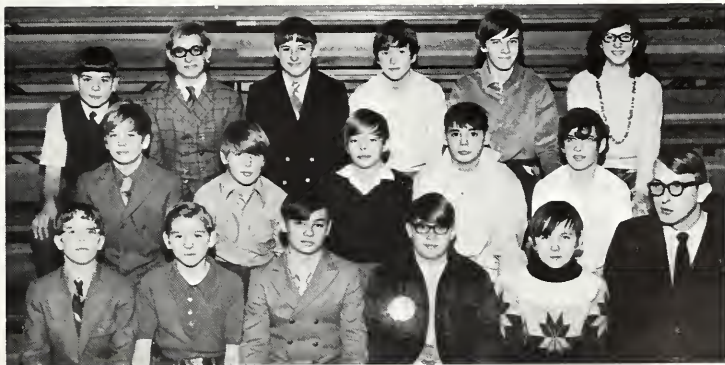


## ART CLUB

The Art Club worked all year in helping make settings, posters, and just doing what they wanted.

## CHESS CLUB

The students in the Chess Club were helped by Mr. Anderson to improve the plays and to compete against other students.



# Journalism attracts student interest



## JOURNALISM CLUB

This is the future newspaper and yearbook staff composed of seventh and eighth graders. This year they learned some of the general angles in producing a good paper and yearbook.



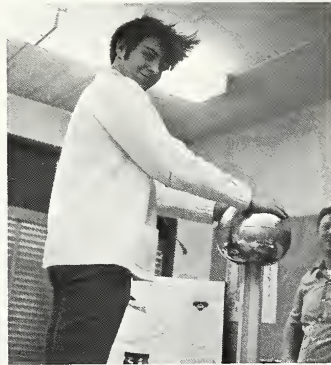
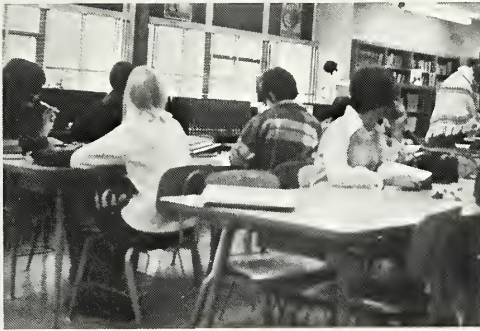
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B. Watson (editor), N. Bussard, E. Davies, J. Wolever, C. Harvey, K. Wickiser, and Mrs. Hoylman. Not pictured are Roberta Boling and Sabrina Wagner.



YEARBOOK STAFF SEATED: C. Dusendschon, R. Coe, P. Hershberger (editor), D. Kester, S. Shrock, and L. Duguid. STANDING: M. Abbott, T. Amsden, N. Bussard, J. Benson, L. Ehinger and Mrs. Hoylman. Not pictured are Ann Cox and Maria Parra.





Graders?



# The Ninth Graders found



Mitch Abbott



Tana Amsden



Pam Arnold



Jim Baker



Mike Baker



Randy Barrand



Linda Barrera



Priscilla Battrick



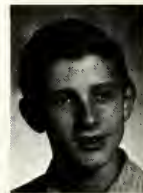
Mike Bauman



Debbie Baumgartner



Patty Beaver



Jeff Benson



Ninth graders listen attentively to Elmhurst representatives during convocation.



David Berry



Barbara Black



Mary Black



Roberta Boling



Everett Bone



Dan Bonifas



Chris Borton



Mark Borton



Liz Brewer



John Brown



Phil Brown



Tony Brown



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Neal Bruns



Dave Buell



John Bunker



Harold Burget



Steve Burson



Neil Bussard



Jim Butler



Ken Butler



Bob Campbell



Debbie Caudill



Brian Chamberlain



Stephen Chasse



Susanne Click



Roger Coc



Rona Compton



Mary Cook



Ann Cox



Marla Cox



Debbie Creason



Dennis Crismore



Janet Crismore



Linda Crum



Evelyn Curry



Evan Davies



Terry Davies



Linda Davis



Richard Deitch



Ronnie Dierkes



Linda Doherty



Linda Duguid

# challenging and exciting . . .



Jeff Duray



Chris Dusendschon



Johnny Edgar



Carlene Edwards



Lee Ehinger



Cathey Elkins



Gloria Fahlsing



Joan Fisher



Mary Fisher



David Fletcher



Cindy Ford



Terry Frewer



Leslie Frye



Tim Gaham



Audrey Garcia



Bill Gasper



David Gillie



Debbie Good



Hazel Gordon



Dyke Goss



Tom Grabemeyer



John Greenler



Kathy Gunkel



John Gunn



Mary Gunn



Vicki Gunn



Jim Hagadorn



Margie Harmon



Carol Harriss



Valerie Hart



# from football to track . . .



Coleen Harvey



Sandy Hatton



Theresa Henderson



Karen Hensley



Phil Hershberger



Jeanne Hilgemann



Concentrating on a fresh assignment are most of the members of Mr. Didier's ninth grade English class.



Marta Hinton



Theresa Hogan



Mary Hood



Glenna Householder



Nancy Houser



Dave Huffman



Mable Hunter



Robert Imel



Sue Jackson



Bill Jacobs



Gary Johnson



Randy Johnson



Eric Johnston



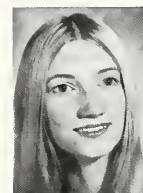
Danita Jones



Jon Keefér



Carey Kemp



Cindy Kendall



Dawn Kester

# from insect collections . . .



Jeff Kincaid



Mike King



Cindy Kline



Kim Klopfenstein



Ava Knox



Terra Kumer



Debbie Ladd



Mark Leindecker



Gary Lesh



Michael Lewis



Curt Linker



Craig Litchin



Members of this year's yearbook staff present a skit for the sales convocation.



Maurice Lovell



Eugene Marciniak



Chuck Marley



Ed Martin



Phyllis Martin



Rosalie Martin



Robin Masterson



Don Medsker



Patricia Medsker



Terry Mespell



Rick Michael



Earma Mitchell



# to dissection and drawing . . .



Rose Monhollen



Minerva Moore



Bob Moyer



Amy Murchland



Sue Myers



Dave Nei



Jane Nelson



Janet Nes



Rick Nes



Bev Nix



Jerry Nuttle



Peggy O'Connor



Mary Omo



Dorrie Orr



Gary Orr



Maria Parra



Jeff Pelz



Marcia Perry



Tom Poore



Martha Prine



Ed Quigley



Debbie Ramer



Larry Ramer



Steve Ransom



Stan Richard



Kim Richey



Barry Rizzo



Kim Rodey



Judy Rogers



Margaret Rogers

# from candy sales . . .



Chuck Romano



Dave Royse



Eric Russell



Teresa Ryan



Alex Sanchez



Alice Sanchez



Jennifer Sauer



Ned Sauer



Rick Sayler



Cindi Scheiber



Rebecca Seabold



Don Shepherd



Sandy Shrock



Cheri Sizemore



Rick Slatton



Becky Smith



Beth Smith



Carolyn Smith



Jerry Smith



Jim Smith



Mick Smith



Paula Smith



Joe Snouffer



Barbara Sowles



Cindy Spillner



Pam Stengel



Trina Stine



Robert Stouder



Roberta Stouder



Debbie Straub



# to yearbook sales . . .



Sandy Strawbridge



Julie Study



Rose Sutton



Ken Swick



Teresa Swihart



Charles Taylor



Sharon Templeton



James Thomas



Pattie Todoran



Kay Tolliver



Debbie Townsend



Chris Trice



Karen Turner



Vicki Veale



Steve Vorndran



Freshman cheerleaders show imaginative thinking as they give a cheer for the candy sales program.



Betty Vroom



Sabrina Wagner



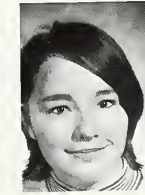
Sandy Waldrop



Judy Walker



Vickie Ward



Kathy Ware



Kay Wasson



Bill Watson



Marcille Wattley

# It was a very good year.



Stephanie Werking



Debbie Wetzel



Fred Whipp



Nevin White



Russel Whitehurst



Kathy Wickiser



Bruce Wilkinson



Kathy Williams



Sam Williams



Jeff Wolever



Shelley Wolfe



Bob Wood



Jackie Woodruff



Randy York



Timmy Bergman



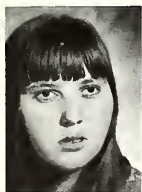
Denise Bruce



Dan Clendenen



Terry Davis



Connie Frisby



Leon Govan



Skye Heiney



Brian Kennedy



Susan Leshore



Cindy Rodey



Gary Gephart  
Brenda Ginder  
Brenda Goldsby  
Manuel Gomez  
Larry Gonzalez



Eric Gordon  
Gloria Gouty  
Daniel Gray  
Benjie Grose  
Glenn Gross  
Sue Hackett



Dave Hamilton  
Debbie Hamilton  
Denise Harmeyer  
Richard Harmon  
Carla Harriss  
Renee Harter



Jeff Hayden  
Doris Hembree  
Frank Hernandez  
Greg Hershberger  
Sally Hinton  
Sara Hoopingarner



Greg Hoover  
Cindy Hough  
Janet Howe  
George Huber  
Val Humbarger  
Vicki Humbarger



Pam Hyde  
Gary Imel  
Rocky Imel  
Vickie Irby  
Kathy Jackson  
Kim Jellison



Judy Jenkins  
Ted Jenkins  
Cheryl Jennings  
Dana Jennings  
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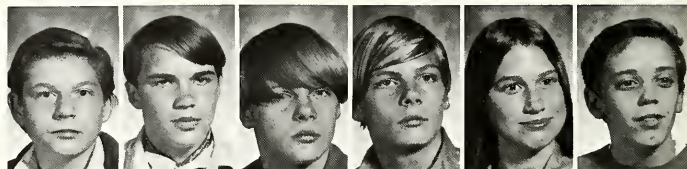


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Michael Landrigan  
Joe Langmeyer



Mike Lay  
Steve Le Master  
Mike Lewis  
Todd Linker  
Lowell Loomis  
Melanie Lorman

William Luce  
Jim Mabee  
Dan Magner  
Doug Magner  
Sue Male  
Kevin Mankey



Linda Markey  
Jim Martin  
Steve Martin  
Cheryl McCray  
Robert Menefee  
Mary Mettert



Lisa Miles  
Randy Miles  
Holly Miller  
Kanda Miller  
Kathy Miller  
Linda Miller

John Milligan  
Elizabeth Mills  
Charles Mitchell  
Sally Monhollen  
Gavin Montgomery  
Tara Montgomery





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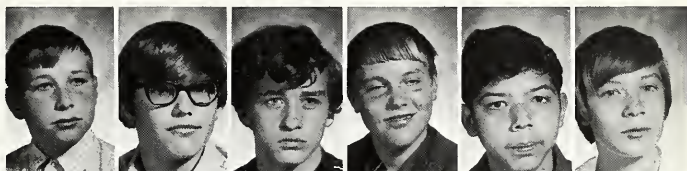


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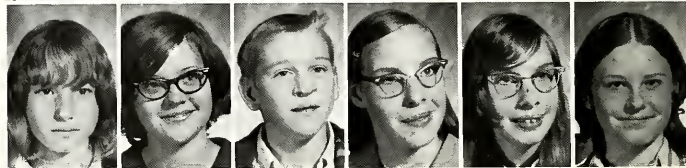


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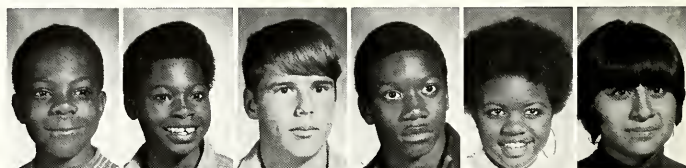


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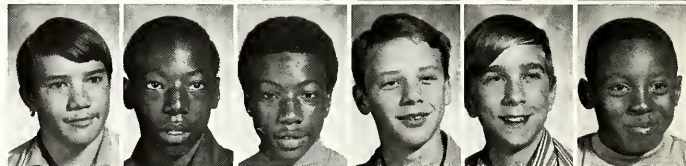


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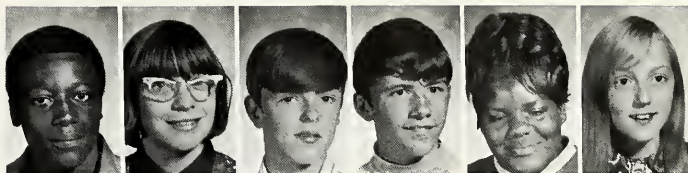
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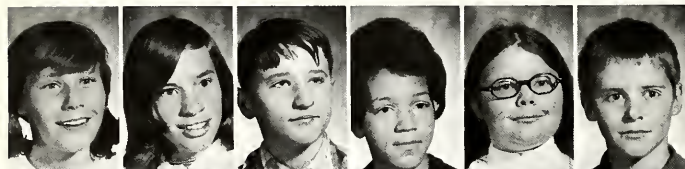


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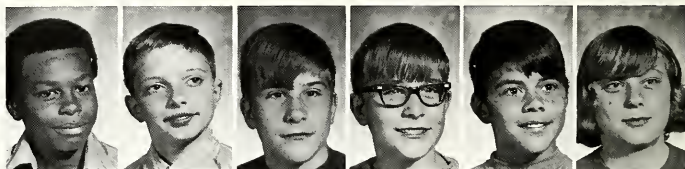
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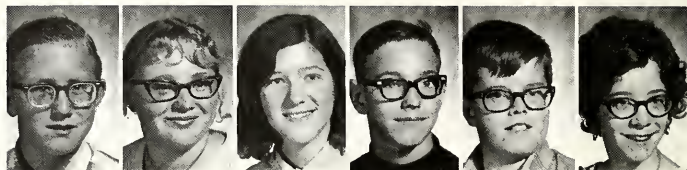


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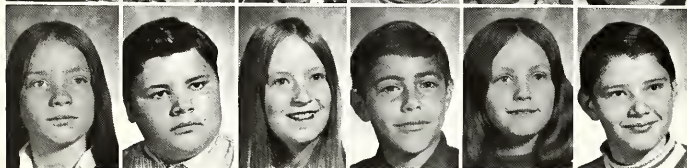
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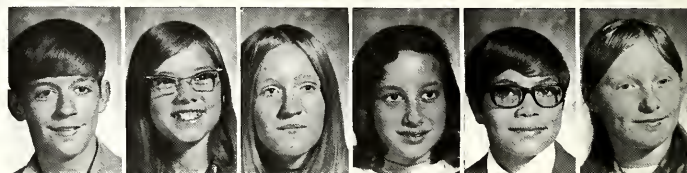
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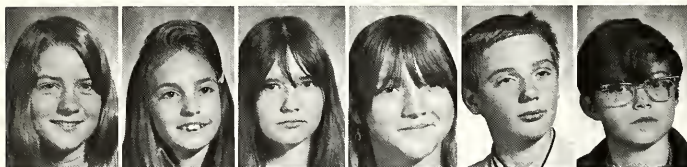
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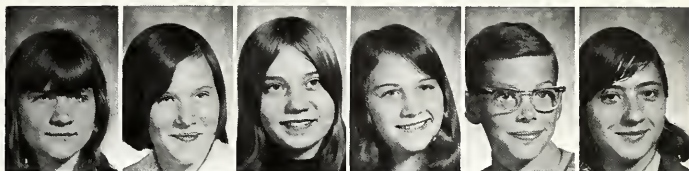






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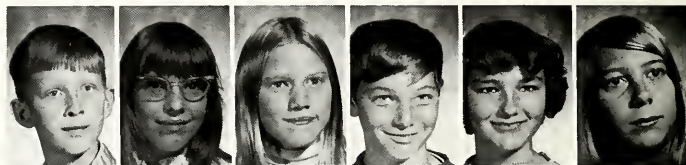


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SPORTS







Left to right, **BOTTOM ROW:** B. Watson, R. Slatton, B. Jacobs, J. Snouffer, N. Bussard, D. Bonifas, C. Litchin, D. Gillie, B. Chamberlain, assistant coach R. Denny, head coach D. Schaffer. **SECOND ROW:** L. Govan, S. Williams, T. Grabmeyer, J. Smith, J. Greenler, P. Hersh-

berger, D. Buell, D. Huffman, B. Rizzo, manager J. Hagadorn. **TOP ROW:** Manager R. Coe, K. Butler, M. Lewis, M. King, S. Chasse, J. Pelz, B. Campbell, R. Saylor, J. Baker, S. Burson, manager E. Davies.

## New coach sparks varsity

DATE	PORTAGE	OPPONENTS	
9/25	6	Lane	14
10/1	14	Geyer	12
10/8	6	Weisser	14
10/15	20	Fairfield	0
10/21	6	Kekionga	0
10/29	0	Harrison Hill	22
	8th		
9/23	0	Harrison Hill	0
9/30	28	Geyer	6
10/7	2	Weisser	14
10/14	0	Fairfield	0
10/19	6	Kekionga	0
10/28	6	Franklin	14
	7th		
10/2	8	Geyer	2
10/9	22	Fairfield	6
10/16	12	Memorial Park	20



Honorary captains: Phil Hershberger and Dave Buell.

The year 1970 saw a new head coach putting the Portage varsity football team through their drills and leading them into their games. Mr. Don Schaffer rose from Harmar School to give the school spirit a boost. Another new face on the team was Dave Buell at fullback who finished 2nd in the city for points scored. The spark was Phil Hershberger, who started at quarterback. In summary the varsity team had a great year.



Offensive player:



Defensive player:



Left to right, **BOTTOM ROW:** Assistant coach—R. Bishop, manager L. Loomis, J. Chase, G. Burson, J. Williams, D. Rinehart, J. Mabey, T. Tracy, J. Klimkofski, G. Hoover, T. Brutton, Coach N. McKeeman. **MIDDLE ROW:** manager, D. Avery, R. Sanders, J. Langmeyer, S. Sanders, C. Underwood, G. Hersh-

berger, M. Spears, J. Brower, M. Felger, J. Hayden, B. Cross. **TOP ROW:** B. Wattley, G. Huber, T. Jenkins, J. Allen, J. Woodruff, E. Peters, D. Georgi, B. Sanders, E. Gordon, L. Smith, C. Mitchell, T. Belcher.



Honorary Captain  
Greg Hershberger



Most Valuable Player  
Lionel Smith



Most Valuable lineman  
Ed Peters



Left to right, **BOTTOM ROW:** Coach D. Desper, N. Elkins, T. Smith, D. Kusak, R. Reader, G. Allen, A. Lloyd, M. Johnson, P. Gutman, D. Rogers, Manager T. Taylor, Coach J. Brown. **MIDDLE ROW:** T. Chase, J. Reichard, T. Young, R. Coe, D. Chrzan, M. Hershberger, K. Mills, B. Mazelin, F.

Walls, J. Woods, D. Chamberlain, B. Jones. **TOP ROW:** S. Leeper, K. Litchin, R. Walker, D. Georgi, G. Shepherd, B. Miller, R. Harrison, R. Martin, M. Hitchcock, A. Norton, D. Wilkerson, R. Mills.



# The name of the game is . . .

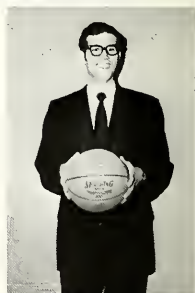


Ninth grade basketball team, left to right: FRONT, Jim Hagedorn (mgr), Sam Williams, Dave Buell, Stanley Richards, Eric Russell; MIDDLE, Dave Huffman, Neil Bussard, John Green-

ler, Phil Hersberger, Brian Chamberlain, Jerry Smith; BACK, Coach McKeeman, Steve Ransom, Jeff Pelz, Rick Slatton, Tom Grabemeyer, Craig Litchin, Mike King (mgr).



Coach Neal McKeeman



Coach Dave Desper

## action, boys, action!







Eighth grade basketball team, left to right: TOP, Coach D. Desper, S. Sanders (mgr), E. Peters, B. Sanders, D. Georgi, D. Baker, B. Avery (mgr); MIDDLE, C. Underwood, G. Hersh-

berger, M. Arnold, L. Smith, M. Spears, M. Landrigan; BOT-TOM, B. Wattley, J. Brower, G. Baker.

### SCOREBOARD

9th	
11/24	—Northwood 45—59
12/1	—C. C. 45—40
12/3	—Franklin 52—46
12/10	—Lakeside 35—37
12/14	—Luers 58—38
12/17	—Geyer 50—41
1/7	—Kekionga 60—65
1/14	—Lane 45—48
1/21	—Memorial 42—44
1/26	—Weisser 35—53
1/28	—H. Hill 59—44
2/3	—Fairfield 37—54

8th	
11/24	—Northwood 32—45
12/3	—Franklin 44—23
12/10	—Lakeside 28—55
12/17	—Geyer 51—39
1/7	—Kekionga 49—42
1/14	—Jefferson 37—42
1/19	—Lane 46—41
1/21	—Memorial 42—50
1/26	—Weisser 40—69

7th	
11/25	—Franklin 46—34
12/4	—Weisser 53—43
12/11	—Geyer 31—32
12/18	—Kekionga 39—29
1/8	—Fairfield 37—15
1/15	—H. Hill 44—36

TOURNAMENT	
2/9	—Geyer 50—43
2/11	—Memorial 51—67



Seventh grade basketball team, left to right: TOP, Coach N. McKee, J. Theye (mgr), B. Banister, T. Taylor, G. Shepherd, R. Harrison, R. Georgi, F. Underwood, S. Leeper (mgr), Coach D. Desper; MIDDLE, T. Underwood, T. Smith, K. Gas-

kill, M. Hershberger, K. Litchin, D. Chrzan, T. Young, P. Peconge, M. Johnson; BOTTOM, G. Gordon, D. Chamberlain, P. Gutman, D. Landrigan, C. Curry, J. Woods, B. Mitchell, M. Darby (mgr).

# Cross-Country, Wrestling enter Portage's sports calendar



Cross-country and wrestling were new inter-school sports for Portage this year. One wrestler, Leon Govan, took the city championship in his weight class to get the sport off to a good start.

Cross-country runners: TOP, Coach Max Amstutz, M. Arnold, J. Thomas, D. Baker, W. Rodebaugh; MIDDLE, D. Landrigan, M. Caudle, M. Landrigan, M. Duray; BOTTOM, K. Stephenson, E. Russell, K. Darby, G. Baker.



Wrestling team: FRONT, K. Butler, T. Davies, B. Rizzo, S. Burson; MIDDLE, E. Davies, M. Leiendecker, B. Campbell, S. Chasse, L. Govan, J. Baker; BACK, Coach D. Schaffer,

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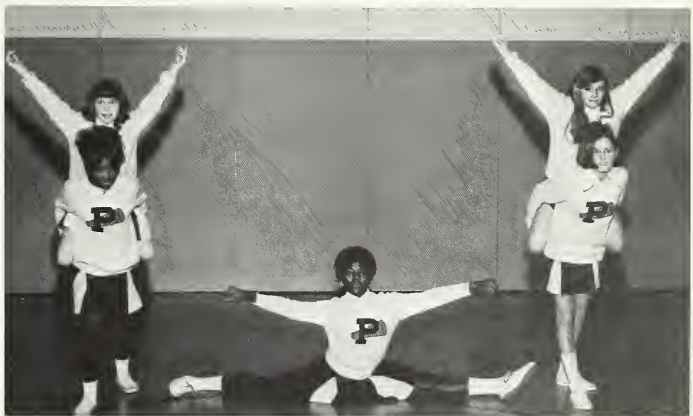
# Cheers encourage teams



What would sports be without cheerleaders? The girls who led the yells spent much time with their advisers, Miss Lahr and Mrs. Egley, perfecting ideas to increase school spirit.

Ninth grade cheerleaders: left to right, Cindy Kendall, Maria Parra, Linda Duguid, Pam Arnold, and Marcille Wattley.

Eighth grade cheerleaders: Tina Foster, Brenda Goldsby, Marcia Flowers, Renee Harter, Sue Hackett.



Seventh grade cheerleaders, clockwise from lower left: Mardi Gaskins, Melissa Hunter, Nancy Beadie, Linda Smyser, Kim Yarman, Barb Harman, Cindy Kratzert.







As the Year of the Ram draws to a close, we are all looking forward to the bigger and more exciting challenges, the future will bring, but are not forgetting our pleasant memories of the past. We, the 1970-71 yearbook staff, have tried our darndest to capture these moments for your pleasure in this PORTARAMA.

The staff . . . Mitch Abbott, Tana Amsden, Jeff Benson, Roger Coe, Ann Cox, Linda Duguid, Lee Ehinger, Dawn Kester, Maria Parra, and Sandy Shrock . . . should be commended for coming through with their fine efforts when they were most needed. Neil Bussard and Evan Davies, photographers, did a good job of getting a variety of pictures, something the yearbook would definitely not be complete without. Also not to be forgotten is our advisor, Mrs. Hoylman, who kept the wheels turning.

Last, but not least, our artist, Chris Dusendschon, deserves many thanks for his artistic designs on the cover and throughout the book.

All in all, whatever the future may bring to you, we on the staff hope that this PORTARAMA will bring back many pleasant memories of this, the Year of the Ram.

*Bill Herdinger*  
Editor-in-Chief











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